

University Memorial Center Board Minutes
Tuesday, April 28th, 2015
UMC 245-5:30pm

Attendance: Joseph S. (v), Boneth A. (E-CNTR ex-o), Debbie C. (v), Kylee T. (v.), Isra S. (v), Vincent M. (v), Austin R. (ex-o), Emily B. (v), Jack D. (v), Kelsey G. (PC ex-o), Saba G. (FreshCouncil ex-o), Lora R. (ex-o CUSG), Zach W. (CUNR ex-o), Chris W. (SVA ex-o), Hannah A. (v), Lauren E. (CU GOLD ex-o), Robin M. (ex-o), Carlos G. (ex-o), Aaron C. (ex-o), Diana P. (v), Andrea Zelinko (guest) & approximately 8 UMC Board scholarship recipients attended meeting and/or banquet.

I. Call to Order (5:34 pm)

II. Approvals

I. Tuesday, April 21, 2015 Minutes

i. Approved and bundled by acclimation

II. Tuesday, April 28, 2015 Agenda

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III. Open Hearing

a. Antoine

b. Juliet Jung

IV. Chair's Report

a. Space Allocation Appeal

i. Leslie Secler: Walkabouts Creative Art Journal is a journal which empowers students by allowing them to get involved in the publishing process or submit a publication. Members work as editors, contributors, and more in order to create a great journal for the CU community. We use the office to create the journal as well as to hold meetings, serving around 50 students. Professors and other leaders in the English department have been invited to meet us in the office, helping to boost our level of prestige. The office gives us the chance to be taken seriously and establish ourselves as a legitimate organization. We are represented by students, for the students. Thank you for letting us appeal this

week. We are affiliated with university but completely student run.

- ii. Aaron: Is your group run with faculty?*
- iii. Leslie: We are affiliated with the University, we have a staff advisor in the English Department.*
- iv. Carlos: How do students hear about the opportunities you offer?*
- v. Leslie: We have a huge advertising campaign each year in the Fall. We also actively visit classrooms and take time to table, letting people know of our services. We did the Literature and Arts festival. We read students work and workshop it. We also have a strong website that launched this year. Kelsey: They always came and pitched it in my English and Lit classes.*
- vi. Kelsey: I don't believe they should have been revoked of their space. Why not give space back? Isra: It was a decision made by the whole committee. They were not in initial list that were safe. Emily: The previous semester they did not know they had a space so they had a 0% usage. It was a big oversight so we didn't feel that we can justify them keeping their space when other groups use theirs. Jack: They did use their space but they were not in 2/3 percent on the space check list. It was a tough decision. Kelsey: It's essentially kicking out the literary version of Program Council. Isra: On the application, we started asking qualitative question. There was no statement for using the office specifically for what was mentioned today. With the information at the time, we made this decision. Kelsey: After appeals, none thought lose space so they did not put in the details. I'm sure they would've written an essay had they known. Isra: When we wrote questions, we also did not know about the new SAO. Kelsey: I feel like it is a poor decision on the committee. Isra: I wish we had the capacity to fix it.*

- vii. *Aaron: From what I heard today, there are leadership problems from one year to the other. What tools did they have in the past to work at same or better capacity such as rooms or physical space to put stuff together? Isra: Any student can rent out space in the UMC. I do to study occasionally. We did keep this in mind. We didn't see a need for an office until this appeal. I spoke to Lesley about it outside and made present some resources.*
- viii. *Austin: I think that any group can be called a mistake because bring something important. Groups that did not use space- we have no way to prove that. The only way of telling is the searches that we do. It not might be the best, but it's what we have. We looked at it and are going off of that, so it's relatively less of a mistake then others. Kelsey: I understand, but there is an appeals process for a reason. Us as a whole disregarding that is not right. The appeals is us making a mistake, and we need to fix it. It's like the medical guy said, that it seems we already made a decision. It may be a hassle but it's not a hassle when it addresses an issue. Isra: Not all the problems can be solved by committee and it is also as a result of the timeline with the new SAO. The committee worked hard on and this is not to discount the appeals. We can keep in mind for the future and for future processes. Last week not to stifle the conversation, just to keep in mind that to do that we would have to replace another group. They could have just as equal a statement. Kelsey: We cannot guarantee an equal statement. Isra: We cannot guarantee it but the groups were what we determined to be the top. None had bad hours, and also submitted an application so I do not see them poorly performing. If we had known that before, we could've changed considerations. If board decides, we can. There are just a lot of problems that we need to keep in mind.*

- ix. Zach: What group would you displace? We cannot go off of personal experience. Kelsey: I understand the problem, but I think we are making a mistake. Jack: This is them making appeal, not an indication of our mistake. The appeals is just to challenge our decision. Kelsey: No one on this end of the table understood why Fashion Design lost their place. And now I am kicking myself for not fighting more for it. Jack: They were not picked out, it's just that we have a limited number of spaces Chris: Keep in mind, if we are not on space committee, we cannot make assumptions about their process. It's not an end all for the groups. I mention SEMS. I met them at the REC center and we did manage to get 10 by 10 space for them. It's a matter of taking effort after this to make sure they have the means to function. Looking at it as an end all be all is not right. Kelsey: I know, but I see that happen to groups that are strong where not having space is detrimental to them. I do not want to be the cause. Isra: Lesley said they have space in the English Department, so it is not the complete death of the group. Boneth: I move to exhaust speakers list. Motion approved.
- x. Vote to change decision or not. Motion to keep current recommendation Vote passes by acclimation.

b. Food Services Update

- i. We are starting to create a list of what should be involved in the MOU between the UMC and HDS, essentially outlining who has what responsibility. We are starting those discussions at this point. We will have more information once we meet. We are just creating a list of what should be in there. Boneth: If we have recommendations, can we give them to you? Carlos: We have some assumed but yes, please do. Joseph: Any questions on merger? Emily: When can it be in use? Carlos: Munch money will be accepted in the Fall. Meal plans are in the future and we not

sure when. The big question we normally get is if we can use much money here by freshman where we have to say no.

c. Other Updates –(none)

d. Elections

i. *Joseph: I have a couple of things to say. Carlos and I might have to dip early to go to Finance Board. I just wanted to share what I have learned. The other day I was telling my brother the size of operations. We are a \$12 mill organization just with the UMC and \$34 mil for all CUSG so the work you do matters. Students sometimes feel like what they do doesn't matter but their work does. For context, UCCS, the entire budget student government budget is \$290,000 dollars. So the work you do absolutely matters. Whether you stay or go on other boards or think the work you do doesn't matter, it does matter. At end of day, keep in mind that we are still students. I hope you do what matters when you are stressing, hopefully choose fun activities. I have learned to care for myself and be my own advocate. Being the board chair is the most awesome thing in the world. From the neighborhood I came from, I was not expected to do much. To come from that and do this, it has been astounding experience. Thank you for an awesome experience. The open positions are Secretary, Vice Chair, and Chair.*

ii. *Isra: I just wanted to thank you Diana for stepping in as secretary a couple of semesters ago. Diana: As secretary, you essentially just take the minutes and send them to Joseph and Carlos to edit. The time commitment is not that large and depends on how much you write or edit. You really get fast at typing! Isra: As Vice chair, I've had a great experience. As Vice Chair, your hands are full. You are expected to attend all meetings as well as supporting the chair, in my case, Joseph, in whatever the chair needs. You plan the orientation for all*

members. The purpose for attending is welcoming to board and outline the board responsibilities. You also are the chair of the spacing allocations committee. It is essentially reviewing the data and coming up with recommendation that the board votes on. You will not on be on your own because you have excellent support. Joseph: As Chair you come and lead meetings. You meet with Carlos and anyone you need to. It's been kind of weird this semester since I've had to meet with administrators and others housed in UMC. It is intensive. It is paid but you earn your money. If you think of running, keep that in mind. First Secretary. Carlos: Hannah A. and Isra graduating while Joseph is going to be a tri-exec so they are going to be gone. Lauren: Hannah is taking over for me. Carlos: She will no longer be an employee but an SAO member. Shambhavi and Aaron can be voting members, but we haven't seen Shambhavi. Nominate Aaron. Other 2 vacancies decide in the fall. Aaron voted as voting member. Carlos: You need to be ratified by Leg council as soon as possible.

- iii. Emily as Chair. Vote approved. Joseph: Are you free Thursday for ratification? Emily: Yes
- iv. Eligible for Vice Chair: Jack, Diego, Diana, and Aaron. Diana voted as Vice Chari
- v. Secretary is incredibly important. The minutes do not just go on website. It is arguably the most important job since it legitimizes what we do. Aaron is voted as secretary.

V. Director's Report

a. Financial Report

- i. I just wanted to mention that part of the board will look different. Joseph and Boneth are leaving because they will be Tri-Execs. Lora, Hannah A. and Lauren graduating. Chris may be going to medical school and Saba is no longer freshman. Austin

is going to Leg. Council and Jack is going to study abroad in the Fall

- ii. After banquet, I leave to present the 3rd quarter report to Finance Board. Peggy can talk about our financial position.*
- iii. Peggy: The 3rd quarter report not a big deal. We are at the end of year. The projected revenue is \$243,487. We have done a lot of things and projects for the Gender neutral restroom, E-Center LED project, and etc. We are right on track, like on the fund balance.*

b. ESCO Projects

- i. We have a company to survey the building. To make the building more efficient, we have a lot to do. The current company is not on track, so we are thinking of maybe switching companies. We may have a delay on that and this is going to delay it. We were expecting things ready in June, but the company may not have things ready until Sept, which is unacceptable. Other companies may have the time. The university is giving the ESCo Company 30 days to correct the deficiencies, which may cause delays by a couple of months.*

c. 2nd Floor Renovations

- i. Previously we voted for 2nd floor renovations to convert it to student group centers. We have received feedback on campus. I met Vice Chancellor of Affairs and Equity where we got feedback that is different on what we were planning to do. I request to have flexibility to deal with it since we are not meeting over the summer. I will commit to having board chair and execs filled in on the process. We may need to question the current decision and may need to consider other options. Lauren: Can you be more specific on the feedback? Like the specific changes? Carlos: We were thinking of individual offices or centers. Some groups want individual offices and some want centers. The individual*

offices is not way to go according to research, but this is feedback. We cannot exclude others from the space in which groups want exclusive space. We need to have conversations about that. In general, students want own building, which won't happen. C4C might offer space which might change our stuff. Given that finals are upon us and summer is near, I need to have flexibility on what to do so I can tell the architects the go ahead for the design. We have a lot of unanswered questions that require more time. Normally it is us that would do that but will not meet until the next 4 months. I will, however, include the student leaders that are here this summer.

- ii. Chris: Is the Veterans' Lounge in the same space or not? Will we still have a say in the looks, maybe the in Fall? Carlos: It will be in the summer. It is not too difficult to move around. The presence of the lounge and SVA input for it is not argued.
- iii. Isra: Can a member of the Underrepresented Student Council be a part of this to help facilitate the process. Carlos: We are losing 2 positions and gaining 2 positions. That individual was in meeting this past week. She was a little surprised, so maybe she will not be in the same position as next year.

VI. CU Nightride

- a. We had our last staff meeting. We are closing at 2 am. Please tell people because we would rather drive people then sit around. When does it start? It starts on Sunday and ends Wedn. Night.

VII. Student Veterans' Association

- a. We tabled on the 15th. It was successful where we have 20 new members and were able to get our name out to other students. We also handed out t-shirts. We worked with PC, and was stoked about American Sniper. Although I wasn't there because it was my wedding weekend, I heard it went really well. Boneth: There was 100 or so people in attendance. Chris: We have another meeting next week to get new t-shirts. We

reordered them and had them made. A replacement hasn't to come to meetings to me, I will make sure the new representation will be here and ready. Carlos: On Thurs, we have the commander and crew of the USS coming. It would be nice to have SVA representatives there, especially Navy representatives. Chris: I can be there and Ben probably can too. I can definitely put the word out.

VIII. Food Service

a. It is very exciting for us. We are working like crazy for graduation and student events. Catering is new and exciting with new organization. Hopefully, you will see new improvements and changes in the Grill. Hopefully it's not too different. You'll see some new and old faces with the new changes. My job is to shepherd the staff. Exciting things are happening. We will be working hard over the summer. It has been a good year for us.

IX. CU Gold

a. Thank you everyone for the nominations and coming to the reception. Last thing left is the CLP applications for Fall. Spread the word please.

X. Program Council

a. We had a bunch of events throughout April. Friday is the Buff Party with an awesome performance lined up. Make RSVP by tomorrow afternoon or your spot will be given away. If you want to go, follow us on FB and twitter.

b. Late night breakfast is on Monday. Jack: Why did we move it forward? Kristen: It's for the students' wellness and health. We are moving it earlier to keep the balance, which help staff and student. Carlos: The event is held by 90% volunteer staff.

XI. Environmental Center

a. We had a birthday celebration at Shine. We have alumni and will start a mentoring program. The kickoff is next fall and we will have a huge reunion. I will have my last meeting tomorrow as co-chair. It is exciting and I will be getting ratified Thurs. We need to figure out a replacement

for this position. The new recycle center will open in June where it's an actual physical building instead of a tent. It is by Regent Drive behind Lot 436.

XII. CUSG

I. Executive

i. I just wanted to say congratulations on the elections. Currently we are in the CUSG transitioning execs process. We have a dinner on Sunday for Staff.

II. Legislative

i. Last Leg. Meeting is on Thur. The end of the year dinner is on Friday. We are winding down, reflecting, and saying bye.

III. Freshman Council

i. Be BOULDER week was last year and now we are winding down for the year.

XIII. Feedback –(none)

XIV. Old Business –(none)

XV. New Business –(none)

XVI. Adjournment (6:37 pm) and moved to West Ballroom for year-end banquet.

Robert's Rules

1. Motion (to approve...)
2. 2nd
3. Call to Question
4. Acclimation (all in favor)
5. Any Objections?